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Four possible scenarios

for our work with the children
of the atrium in the fall

We observe and study the vital needs of the child and the manifestations of those vital needs according to the developmental stage of the child.

We want to remember that the child, particularly the religious life of the child, is central to the interest and commitment of the catechist of the Good Shepherd.

We attend to the conditions which are necessary for this life to be experienced and to flourish.

*We live with the child a shared religious experience according to the teaching of the gospel: "Except you become as little children, you cannot enter the kingdom of God."
(Matthew 18:3)*

What happens for fall?

Multiple possibilities that will depend on many factors.

We have and will continue to look at options.

Today, we will look at 4 scenarios that could be blended:

- ❖ We return with modifications
- ❖ We cannot return and support the Domestic Church
- ❖ We offer a Retreat Option
- ❖ We return and then shelter in place for the Advent Christmas Season

Catechists and children
who choose to stay home



Masks

Cleaning & Disinfecting:

- Hand sanitizer
- Wipes
- Chemicals
- UV lights
- Material use
- Before and After Care

We return

Scenario One

Social Distancing:

- do the math!
- Individual workspaces and materials
- Taped floor

Smaller
groups

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We support the Domestic Church

Scenario Two

Podcasts for Parents

Children's Pages

Parent Pages

Parent Zoom Meetings

What can be shared online?
What can't?

What extension materials can be prepared this summer to go home with the children

Children bring
extension
work home

Small groups
of children
come once a
month


Catechists
Zoom with
Parents once
a month

Catechists
zoom with
children once
a month

Children have
their moment

We follow a retreat
model

Scenario Three



We have a second shelter in place

Scenario Four

We return briefly to the atrium and shelter in place for Advent and Christmas

We focus on prayer and Mass in the fall so that the children can bring work home – like the Missal for the older children

There is a Parish wide focus on the Domestic church and home traditions for this season

Catechists Zoom with Families for meditation and prayer

Small group conversation 1

- ❖ Which scenario seems the most likely that you will be able to share in your setting? Or will you use a blended approach with multiple scenarios?
- ❖ What is one thing you and your community need to do to share this reality?
- ❖ What were the top two suggestions and top two questions raised in this small group that you would like to bring to the larger group?

Small group conversation 2

- ❖ What new thoughts and new questions did you hear coming from the larger group?